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No.54230 *Legislative Section*

Discussion under Rule 176

Members are informed that the Short Duration Discussion on the deteriorating standard of education in the country which was scheduled for Wednesday, the 6th May, 2015, will now be taken up on Wednesday, the 13th May, 2015.

No.54231 *Bill Office*

The Constitution (One Hundred and Twenty Second Amendment) Bill, 2014
(As passed by Lok Sabha)

(F. No. 31011/07/2014-SO (ST) dated 8th May, 2015 from Shri Arun Jaitley, Minister of Finance, Corporate Affairs and Information and Broadcasting to the Secretary-General, Rajya Sabha)

"xxx xxx xxx that Hon'ble President has recommended consideration of the Constitution (One Hundred and Twenty Second Amendment) Bill, 2014, as passed by the Lok Sabha with amendments, in the Rajya Sabha under clauses xxx (3) of article 117 and xxx xxx of the Constitution."

No.54232 *Bill Office*

The Medical Consultancy and Other Services (Rationalisation of Fees) Bill, 2013 by Smt. Renuka Chowdhury, M.P.
(As introduced in the Rajya Sabha)

(Letter No. Nil, dated 7th May, 2015 from Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda, Minister of Health and Family Welfare to the Secretary-General, Rajya Sabha)

"The President having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Private Member Bill titled the 'Medical Consultancy and Other Services (Rationalisation of Fees) Bill, 2013' by Smt. Renuka Chowdhury, recommends consideration of the Bill in Rajya Sabha under article 117(3) of the Constitution".

No.54233 *Bill Office*

Reference of the Bill to the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee

Members are informed that the Chairman, Rajya Sabha on 8th May, 2015, has referred the Homoeopathy Central Council (Amendment) Bill, 2015, as introduced in the Rajya Sabha and pending therein, to the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Health and Family Welfare, for examination and report within two months.

No.54234 *Committee Co-ordination Section*

Result of Election to the Central Silk Board

The following candidates, who were nominated for election to the Central Silk Board, were duly elected to be the members of the said Board on the 8th May, 2015:-

(i) Shri Basawaraj Patil
(ii) Shri Neeraj Shekhar

No.54235 *Library and Reference Unit, LARRDIS*

Information Bulletin on Real Estate Sector: Its Growth and Regulation

Members are informed that copies of the Information Bulletin on **'Real Estate Sector: Its Growth and Regulation'**, both in English and Hindi, brought out by LARRDIS, Lok Sabha Secretariat, are available for distribution.

Members are requested to obtain their copies from the Publications Counter, Rajya Sabha.

No.54236 *IT Sections (H&S)*

Securing of Wi-fi access points installed in Lobbies of Rajya Sabha

Members are informed that wifi facilities in the lobbies of the Rajya Sabha will henceforth be protected by password. The password will be issued to the Member by a technical person of NIC deputed in inner lobby of Rajya Sabha to provide technical support/ assistance to the Members.

Members are requested to kindly cooperate.

No.54237 *IT Sections (H&S)*

IT facilities for Members of Rajya Sabha

Members are informed that the facility of Computer Equipment is made available to the Members to enable them to discharge their functions/duties through a "Scheme of Financial Entitlement of Members of Rajya Sabha for Computer Equipment". Under the Scheme, Members are entitled to purchase any or all of the items of computer equipment specified below:

(i) Desktop computer
(ii) Laptop Computer
(iii) Pen drive
(iv) Printer (DeskJet/ LaserJet/Multi-function/portable)
(v) Scanner
(vi) UPS (with desktop only)

(vii) Handheld communicator/computer/smart phone
(viii) Data internet cards
(ix) MS Office suite
(x) Language softwares and Speech recognition softwares
(xi) E-reader
(xii) Computer Monitor
(xiii) External Hard Drive

It is informed that the financial entitlement of a Member for purchasing computer equipment and software under the Scheme is as follows:

(a) Rs.2,00,000/- if elected/nominated to Rajya Sabha for a term of more than three years.
(b) Rs.1,50,000/- if elected/nominated to Rajya Sabha in bye election on a casual vacancy for a term of three years or less.
(c) Additional Rs 1,00,000 would be available to a Member after a period of three years of his / her term subject to condition that minimum period of term left is not less than six months.

Members can avail of the Scheme by adopting one of the following two procedures:

(a) By purchasing the computer equipment from a vendor and passing on the proof of payment to the IT Sections (H&S) (room No.209, PHA) for reimbursement. On certification by the IT Section, the MS&A Section makes the reimbursement to the Member; or

(b) By bringing a Proforma Invoice from a vendor for the computer equipment to be procured. On certification by IT Sections (H&S), the MS&A Section makes the payment directly to the vendor.

2. Members are also informed that in order to reduce their dependency on paper copies of Parliamentary documents and thereby achieve the goal of reduction in the use of paper, **an amount of Rs. 50,000/- out of the financial entitlement of a Member has been earmarked to facilitate purchase of an E-reader devices**. Members can purchase any branded model of E-reader tablet device which operates on i-OS or Android or Window Operating System and have a screen size not less than 7 inches. The devise can be purchased by Members from any authorized retailers/dealers from anywhere in India. **Members are informed that procurement of one such device by Members using their financial entitlement is mandatory and cost towards the device, earmarked as Rs. 50,000/- , is kept aside from the financial entitlement of each Member and a Member shall not be eligible to utilize this amount out of his/her due financial entitlement for purchase of any other computer**

equipment/software. However, out of this earmarked amount, if any amount remains unutilized after the purchase of one E-reader device, that amount can be used by the Members for purchase of any other item(s) permitted under the Scheme.

3. Members may also keep in view the following stipulations regarding the purchase of computer equipment under the Scheme of Financial Entitlement:

(a) Members are free to purchase the computer equipment from any vendor anywhere in India. However, Members should satisfy themselves about the genuineness of the products, warranty cover and the quality of after-sales service support.

(b) In case of Desktop Computers, the following brands have been approved:

(i) Acer
(ii) HP
(iii) Lenovo
(iv) Dell
(v) Wipro
(vi) PCS
(vii) Apple
(viii) HCL

(c) There is no brand restriction on Laptops, E-reader tablets, Printers and Scanners and Members can purchase these items of any brand of their choice.

(d) Arrangements for obtaining warranty services, maintenance and insurance towards the computer equipment that Members purchase using their financial entitlement are to be made by Members themselves.

(e) In case a Member purchases computer equipment by submitting a Proforma Invoice, he /she is required to make available the proof of purchase (original bills etc. with serial numbers of the items), within 30 days from the date of release of payment, to the Secretariat for the purpose of record and audit.

(f) The computer equipment purchased by a Member under the Scheme remains with him even after he ceases to be a Member.

(g) As per the decision of the Committee on Provision of Computer Equipment to Members of Rajya Sabha, **Members will not be allowed to purchase computer equipment and submit claim thereof for**

reimbursement during the last six months of their membership in Rajya Sabha

Members can obtain more information on the Scheme and rules governing it by approaching the IT Sections (H&S) (Room No. 209, Parliament House Annexe) or from the Rajya Sabha website under the link Committees → Standing Committees →Committee on Provision of Computer Equipment to Members of Rajya Sabha → Rules.

4. E-mail Facility: E-mail facility is provided to Members by the National Informatics Centre (NIC) free of charge. For availing this facility, a form is required to be filled up by the Member mentioning desired username for the facility. The form is available with IT Sections (H&S) (Room no. 209, Parliament House Annexe) or can be downloaded from the Rajya Sabha Website (http://rajyasabha.nic.in) under the link Downloads → Application Forms → NICNET Application Form.

5. Broadband Facility: Members can also avail of broadband facility of MTNL/BSNL by choosing to forego 10,000 of their telephone calls out of the 1,50,000/- free calls for each broadband connection.

6. 3G and Blackberry Services: Members can avail of 3G facility and Blackberry services of MTNL/BSNL through packages customized for them @ Rs. 1500/- per month and @ Rs. 999/- per month respectively, which will be adjusted against their 1,50,000/- free telephone calls.

Similarly, Members can obtain unlimited 3G service package of MTNL and BSNL to get internet connectivity on their e-Reader Tablet devices (Apple iPad or Samsung Galaxy Tab) @ Rs. 999/- per month, which will be adjusted against the free calls available to Members.

Members can also obtain two additional SIMs for using Blackberry Services and Data Card of MTNL/BSNL (besides 3 SIM cards members get - one SIM for Delhi phone, one SIM for the constituency phone and one more SIM for the Tablet device).

Members can obtain more information regarding Broadband, 3G and Blackberry Services through MTNL/BSNL by approaching the Members' Amenities Section (Room No. 227, Parliament House Annexe) or Liaison Officer, MTNL/BSNL, Room No. 520, Parliament House Annexe, Tel. No. 23035354/23014477.

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No.54238 *IT Sections (H&S)*

Customized Parliamentary applications for e-reader tablet devices

Members are informed that customized software applications to facilitate easy access to daily Parliamentary Papers through the tablet devices, Apple iPad and Samsung Galaxy Tab, have been developed for benefit of Members.

2. Both the Hindi and English versions of the application for Apple iPad are freely available for download from the Apple iTunes store with the name Rajya Sabha Business app(Eng) and Rajya Sabha Business app(Hindi) . Also, a similar app for Android platform (in English) has been developed by NIC which can be downloaded from the Rajya Sabha Website. The apps can be installed on the Apple iPAD and Android devices as follows:

Procedure to install the Rajya Sabha Business application on iPAD

- Click on App store
- Type 'Rajya Sabha' under Search
- Selct English/Hindi version of the app
- Click on Install

Note: Users must have the Apple UserID and Password to install the application

Procedure to install the Rajya Sabha Business application (English version) on Android devices

- Go to Rajya Sabha Website(http://rajyasabha.nic.in)
- Click on 'Rajya Sabha Business application' given at right bottom of the main page
- Download the *apk* file and click on Install

3. Alternatively, Members can get these software applications downloaded/embedded on their Apple iPad and Samsung Galaxy Tab devices by NIC personnel available in Computer Centre (Room No.64-G, First Floor, Parliament House). Members can also contact Shri N.S. Arneja, Senior Technical Director, NIC (at Tel. No. 23034829 or e-mail: arneja@nic.in) for resolution of their queries in this regard.

4. Using these applications Members can access the latest List of Business, Papers Laid on the Table of the House, latest Parliamentary Bulletins, Questions Lists, Members Birthdays and other useful information on their devices.

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No.54239 *IT Sections (H&S)*

Provision of Wi-Fi connectivity at select locations in Parliament Complex for the use of Members of Parliament

Members are informed that Wi-Fi facility has been installed in Central Hall, Members' Reading Room (Parliament House) and Members' Reading Room (Parliament Library Building) through MTNL Broadband for use of Hon'ble Members of Parliament.

2. For any query/assistance, Members may kindly contact Members' Query Booth (Room No. G-127, Parliament Library Building, Telephone No. 23035055).

No.54240 *IT Sections (H&S)*

Use of new domain to access the sansad e-mail allocated to Members

Members are informed that the National Informatics Centre (NIC) which provides official e-mail services, has advised that the website **'https://mail.gov.in'** be used for accessing the e-mails instead of the website 'http://sansad.nic.in'.

Members may note that there shall be no change in the e-mail addresses i.e. userid@sansad.nic.in that have been allotted to them.

In case of any difficulty/clarification Members may kindly contact NIC Cell, 64-G, Parliament House, New Delhi-110001 at Tel No: 23034907, 23034829 or at e-mail:nic64g@nic.in. For reactivation of email account and change of password, Members may contact at Tel No: 23034392 or at mshahid@nic.in.

No.54241 *IT Sections (H&S)*

Procedure to reset/change NIC e-mail password

Members are allocated official e-mail addresses by NIC under 'sansad.nic.in' domain and the same are displayed along with Members' name, addresses and contact details on Rajya Sabha Websites. Members also use these accounts for their e-mail requirements. Members have the option of changing passwords of their e-mail accounts as per their choice. The Procedure to change passwords for NIC e-mail accounts is as follows:

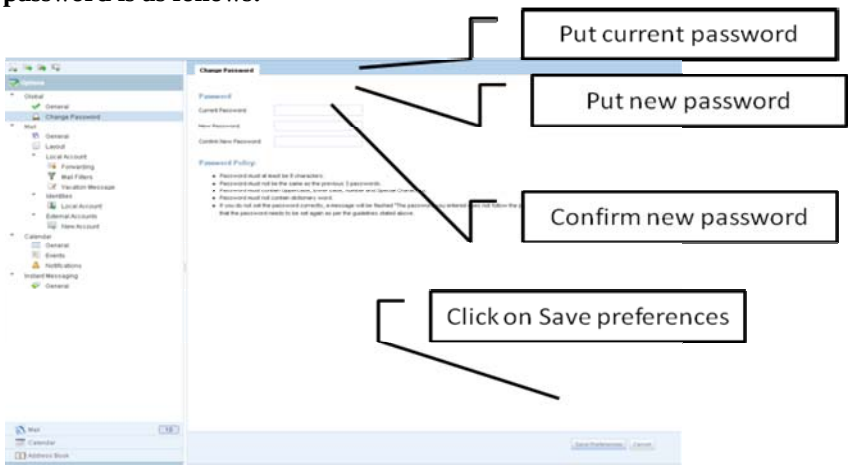
(a) For Operating System Windows 7

- Use Internet Explorer/Google Chrome
- Open email site: https://mail.gov.in
- Put your username & Password
- Click on Option (left side bottom)
- Click on change password (three input boxes will appear in right pane)
- One is for current password
- Next is new password &
- Last one is to confirm your new password
- Click on Save Preferences

(b) For Operating System Windows XP

- Use Google Chrome
- Rest of the Procedure is same as above

An image representation of the screen that will appear for changing password is as follows:



The Password policy that needs to be followed is as follows:

- Password must be of at least 8 characters.
- Password must not be the same as the previous 3 passwords.
- Password must contain Uppercase, lower case, number and Special Characters.
- Password must not contain dictionary word.
- If the password is not set correctly, a message will be flashed "The password you entered does not follow the password creation policy. Please try again."This implies that the password needs to be set again as per the guidelines stated above.

2. **Members are also apprised that in case they forget their passwords, they can get a new password in the following two ways:**
Call NIC person (Room No. 105, Parliament House) at phone no: 23035030 or 23034392 between 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM or send email at mshahid@nic.in)
The new Password will be sent to the Member's registered mobile number.
Alternatively, NIC Support team at CGO Complex , Lodhi Road, New Delhi can be called up at phone no.: 24360088 (24 *7) .
The new Password will be sent to the Member's registered mobile number.

3. Members are also informed that for security reasons the practice of sending the reset/new password for email accounts on NIC server (i.e. @sansad.nic.in) to the NIC coordinator or on the alternate email address of the user has been discontinued by NIC. For enhanced mail security reset/new password for email accounts are now sent to the user on his/her mobile only as an SMS. NIC has already sent an email to all users to update their mobile numbers in NIC email repository. Members who have not updated their mobile numbers are requested to do the same on priority basis. Members may register their mobile number either by visiting to the site : ***http://mail.gov.in*** or may ask the Support team through E-mail using NIC email Account to update their mobile number in their email profile. The Procedure for updating the mobile numbers in NIC e-mail account/NIC repository by Members themselves is as under:

- Visit the site https://mail.gov.in
- Click on update Mobile no.
- Use your e-mail address/password to Login
- Follow the instructions on the screen to update your mobile number

4. **Members are also informed that as per NIC policy, in case an e-mail account is not used for a period of more than 90 days, it is deactivated by the NIC server**. In view of this, Members are requested to use their NIC e-mail accounts regularly so that it is not deactivated.

No.54242 *IT Sections (H&S)*

Debate Portal of Rajya Sabha

Members are informed that Rajya Sabha Secretariat in association with the National Informatics Centre (NIC) has created a repository of Rajya Sabha debates since 1952 in searchable format and the entire database has been placed on Internet through a new website of Rajya Sabha namely ***http://rsdebate.nic.in***.

2. In this Debate portal, all the printed volumes of Official Debates of Rajya Sabha since its first sitting on 13th May, 1952 have been scanned and converted into electronic form. The Digital repository of debates contains the Debates in Text (pdf) format as well as Image (pdf) format so that it is possible to make free text search on the debates as well as to keep the original format of the printed debates intact. The Debates comprise Part I (Parliamentary Questions and Answers) and Part II (proceedings other than Question and Answers).

3. As on date this Digital repository contains data from the 1st Session to the 232nd Session of Rajya Sabha.

3. The main features of the Debate Portal of Rajya Sabha are as under:

- Users can browse the Rajya Sabha debates by:-
    - Question-Answer(Part-I)/Other Debates (Part-II) wise
    - Debate Title wise
    - Members Participated wise
    - Debate Date wise
    - Debate Subject wise
- Users can make free text searches as the entire collection is built in Unicode.
- Users can also perform specific search using 'Advanced search' option on Session number, Debate Date, Debate Type, Debate Title, Members participated, Question type, Question number, Debate Subjects, Questioner Name, Minister's name, Ministry etc.

- The free text search word gets highlighted in text PDF.
- Users have the option to view either the text data (pdf) or Image (pdf).

3. Besides the repository being available at ***http://rsdebate.nic.in***, it can also be reached from the Rajya Sabha Websites ***(http://rajyasabha.nic.in and http://rajyasabhahindi.nic.in)*** through the link ***Debates→Rajya Sabha Official Debates.***

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No.54243 *IT Sections (H&S)*

Members' Login Application

The facility of Members' Login Application, which is a two way communication channel between Members and Rajya Sabha Secretariat for delivering information and documents to Members as well as sending communications by Members, is available to Members. A new functionality has been added in the Application for sending E-mail/SMS by the Members to other Members of Parliament (Rajya Sabha) or on any other mobile number. The Application provides the following:

(a) Inbox (Official) - Inbox contains any information/document sent by any Section of the Rajya Sabha Secretariat to the Member.

(b) SMS

- New – To send SMS to any other mobile number
- Inbox – To see the SMS received
- Sent – To see the SMS sent to other users.

(c) Send SMS/Email/Portal Messages to other Members – Members have access to the E-mail/contact addresses in the text format. Using this facility Members can send SMS/E-mail/portal messages to other Members of Rajya Sabha. This Application is integrated with NIC's SMS Gateway and messaging service

(d) Submit Request- Using this, Member can submit following type of Online Requests to the Rajya Sabha Secretariat:

(i) Change of permanent address, telephone nos. etc.;
(ii) Change of local address, telephone nos. etc.;
(iii) Change of delivery address and language (Hindi/English) for parliamentary papers.; and

(iv) Any other communication to be sent to Secretary-General, Rajya Sabha.

(e) Pay slip- Members can view their Pay-slip.

(f) Payment Details: Members can see the details of payments made to them and sent to their Bank account.

(g) TA/DA Bills

(h) MTNL Bills

(i) NDMC Bills – Electricity and Water Bills

(j) Member's Address and Label Printing– Using this option one can see the Member's addresses and can print Address Labels on envelopes.

(k) Part-II Bulletins- See the Part-II Bulletin and search a particular bulletin.

(l) Verbatim Debates – Through this, Members can download editable version of the Verbatim Debates and after making correction, submit back to the Secretariat, electronically.

(m) Committee Meeting Schedule: Members can view Committee Meeting Schedule- date-wise, Week-wise, Month-wise etc.

(n) Forgot Password:

The software has been updated with following additional features:

Forgot password module for Members who lose/forget their 'Member's Login' password and need a new password without assistance from NIC. This utility can be accessed from the Homepage by clicking the icon named 'Forget Password'. The procedure to get a new password online is as follows:-

a. Enter userid or registered email address and enter image number in the text box;
b. Click on submit button;
c. If the entered information is correct then OTP(one time password) will be send on registered mobile number of the Member;
d. Enter the OTP in box;

e. Click on "submit OTP" button;
f. On successful entering the OTP, SMS with new password will be sent on the registered mobile number; and
g. Enter login id and new password in " login page" to access the Member's Login application.

(o) The user manual for use of Member's Login application is also available on the Homepage (http://mprs.nic.in).

2. The Member's Login Portal is a secured Web application for information services delivery and inter-communication System integrated with Mobile SMS and NIC's E-mail messaging Service. In order to use the Application, individual User-ID and passwords for each Member have been created. **Members who have not collected their User-ID and passwords for the Application are requested to collect the same either personally or through their P.As from NIC Cell, Room No. 64-G, Parliament House, New Delhi (Tel. No. 23034829).**

3. This Application can be accessed by Members from the address (https://mprs.nic.in) or it can also be accessed from the Rajya Sabha websites (http://rajyasabha.nic.in and http://rajyasabhahindi.nic.in).In case of any difficulty/clarification Members may contact NIC Cell, 64-G, Parliament House, New Delhi-110001; Tel No: 23034907, 23034829 or at e-mail:nic64g@nic.in.

No.54244 *Simultaneous Interpretation Service*

Avoiding Disturbance in the sound system

It has been observed that some Hon. Members do not turn off the volume knob of their earphones while leaving their seats, which causes disturbance in the sound system in the House. Hon. Members are, therefore, requested to turn the knob to the left while leaving their seats.

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